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Highlander of the Year

Theatre founder takes centre stage

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The new Highlander of the Year sometimes sits in one of the comfortably padded seats at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, looks down at the stage and thinks, "I helped to create this."

Caryl Miller remembers when audiences had to sit on wooden stacking chairs to watch a play on the high school's "gymnasium" raised stage, when the janitor would be paid with a bottle of spirits to set the eight stage lights in the right direction.

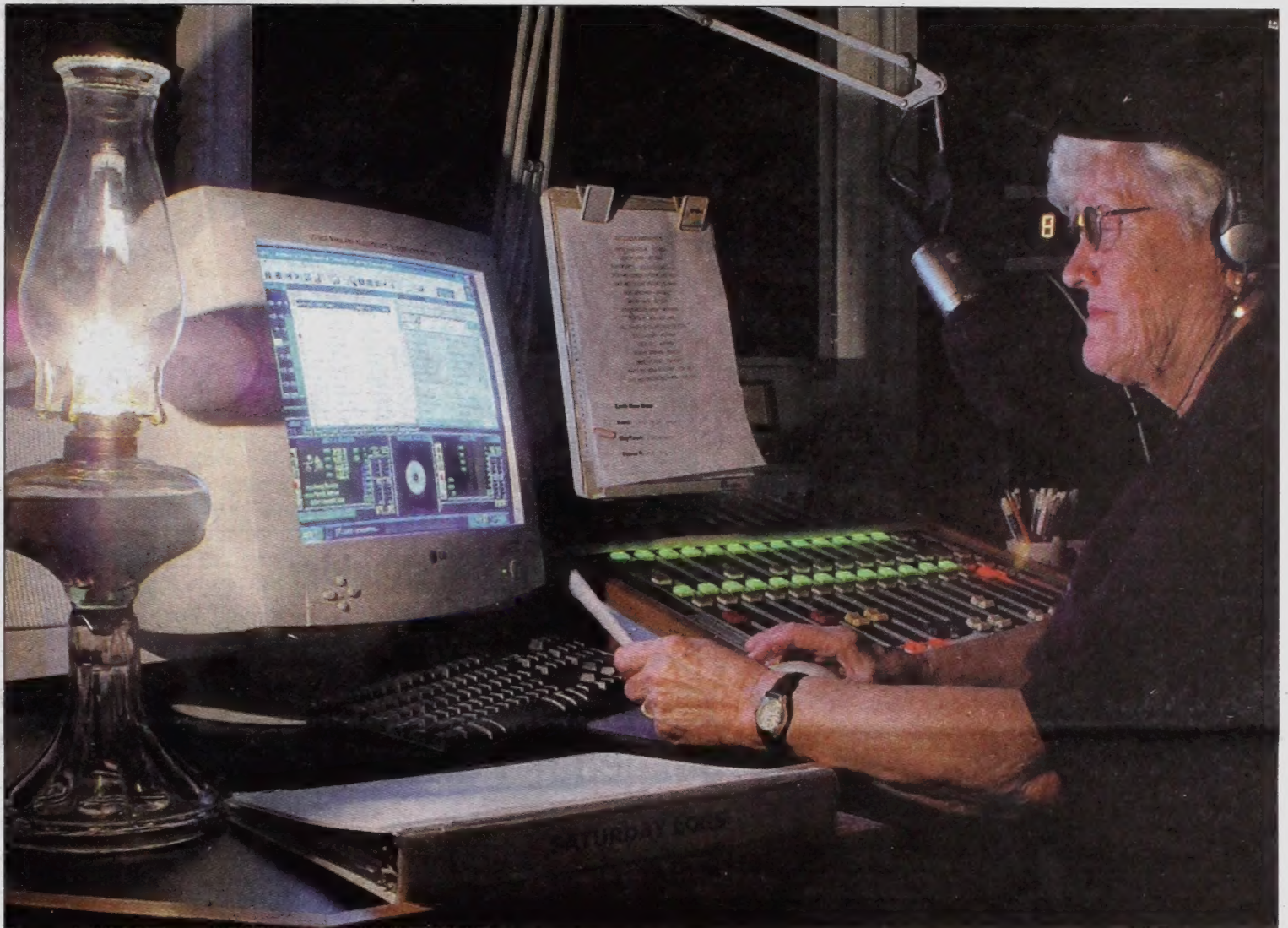
Eleven years ago, when the high school got funding to build a brand new gym and science wing, she was one of the people in the community who jumped on the chance to transform the old girls' gym into a proper theatre.

There was a hitch, of course. The community would have to raise close to \$300,000 and it would have to do it before the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation launched its capital campaign a few months later.

On Saturday night at the Delta Pinestone Resort, the people gath-

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GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo



Tuning in to Earth Hour

A darkened Canoe FM studio served as headquarters for Earth Hour 2008 in Haliburton County, with radio host Joan Cameron and her husband, Don, manning the phone lines and sharing listeners' stories over the airwaves. The Camerons say more than 200 local residents called and emailed the station in the days leading up to Earth Hour to pledge their commitment to flick off their lights for an hour in unison with other communities across the globe. For full story see page 10; draw prize winners will be in Thursday's *Weekender*.

Road projects fail to get provincial funds

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The province's decision not to contribute to the rehabilitation of County Road 21 came as a big blow to Warden Eleanor Harrison.

It might also throw county property owners for a loop when they get their next tax bill.

"It has not been my best day," Harrison said on Friday afternoon, just hours after she got the news that the province wouldn't spend \$1.8 million to help fix the 3.4 km stretch of road between Soyers Lake Road and Peninsula Drive.

What made the announcement worse, however, was the accompanying news that Algon-

quin Highlands wasn't receiving \$1.1 million to repair the Buckslides bridge. "I just can't believe it," she says. "The bridge is falling down" and has been reduced to one lane.

Highlands East was also frozen out of the province's \$450-million Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative. It had applied for \$450,000 to

make the intersection at Houston Road and McGillivray Road safer.

Reeve Dave Burton was disappointed with the news but also philosophical. "I think we'll go ahead" with the project without the provincial government's help, he said, noting that the

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When Will the Ice Melt on Head Lake? contest returns

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news and events worth noting

THE WINTER-THAT-NEVER-ENDS can't go on forever. Surely by July 1 all the snow will be gone, right? Well, to give us all hope, the *Echo* is once again hosting the When Will the Ice Melt on Head Lake? contest. We need you to guess when the last ice cube will be gone from the jewel in Haliburton village's crown. Tell us not only the date, but also the time of day, when you think this annual miracle will take place. Our judge, Lisa Robertson, will be scouring the shoreline to let us know the moment we can celebrate this official end-of-winter event. Send your guess to the Echo office. You can e-mail editor@haliburtonecho.ca, fax 457-3275, mail Box 360 Haliburton or drop by the office – the big blue house perched on the shores of Head Lake. The deadline is Friday, April 11 at 5 p.m.. The winner will receive a free year's subscription to their choice of either the *Haliburton County Echo* or *Minden Times*. Good luck and have faith!

Taking Haliburton Forest's Walk in the Clouds is one of the 50 things you should do this summer in Canada, says www.canada.com. The "suspended walkway through the canopy of a 200-year-old pine forest feels a bit like an ectomorphic trampoline. Take in breathtaking views and, if you're really lucky, catch a glimpse of wolves, foxes and moose," the website of the CanWest Global media company says. Other Ontario attractions include viewing the lights of Toronto from downtown panoramic towers, taking a painting tour of Prince Edward County, cultivating a Blythe Festival spirit and enjoying afternoon tea at Chateau Frontenac in Ottawa.

You just turned out your lights for Earth Hour. Do you want to put a little sweat equity into your commitment to help the environment? The World Wildlife Fund invites you to climb the CN Tower to help WWF Canada fight global warming. The fundraising event is April 19 from 6 to 10 a.m.. For more information go to wwf.ca/cntower, e-mail events@wwfcanada.org or phone 416-484-7700.



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Giving winter the shoulder

Last Tuesday's snowstorm took everyone by surprise, not just because they weren't expecting winter to last so long. The combination of air and road temperatures made the roads especially slick. Even the small incline in front of the *Echo* office was difficult to climb for some drivers. Luckily, passersby such as Carl Rowbotham were on hand to give them a little push. Drivers coming down the hill on Cedar Avenue wished they had extra braking power.

Suspended driver tries, and fails, to evade police

A 27-year-old Haliburton woman was charged with numerous offences after she tried to elude police on Easter Sunday.

OPP officers were on patrol in Haliburton village when they attempted to stop a Chevrolet Malibu on Mountain Street. The driver ignored the officers' requests to pull over and sped off. The vehicle was eventually stopped in the driveway of the driver's home

where the driver was arrested.

The woman was charged with Dangerous Driving, Flight From Police and Driving While Under Suspension. She will be appearing in Minden Court on May 7 in relation to the charges.

Impaired driving

Officers charged a 46-year-old Pepperlaw man as a result of a vehicle stop shortly after midnight on March 22.

Officers were on patrol when they stopped a 2008 Chevy Silverado pickup truck on the Harburn Road. The officers had a conversation with the driver who was later arrested after failing a roadside breathalyzer test and taken to the Haliburton Highlands detachment.

He has been charged with Driving with over 80mgs.

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment have charged a Highlands East man after receiving a driving complaint from a citizen late Sunday afternoon.

Officers located the vehicle on Highway 118 near Trappers Trail. The 52-year-old driver was spoken to by an officer and subsequently arrested for Impaired Driving.

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The lovable Katrina Chvedukas is two for two in the contest for second place finishes.

Kelsey is queen of the Idols

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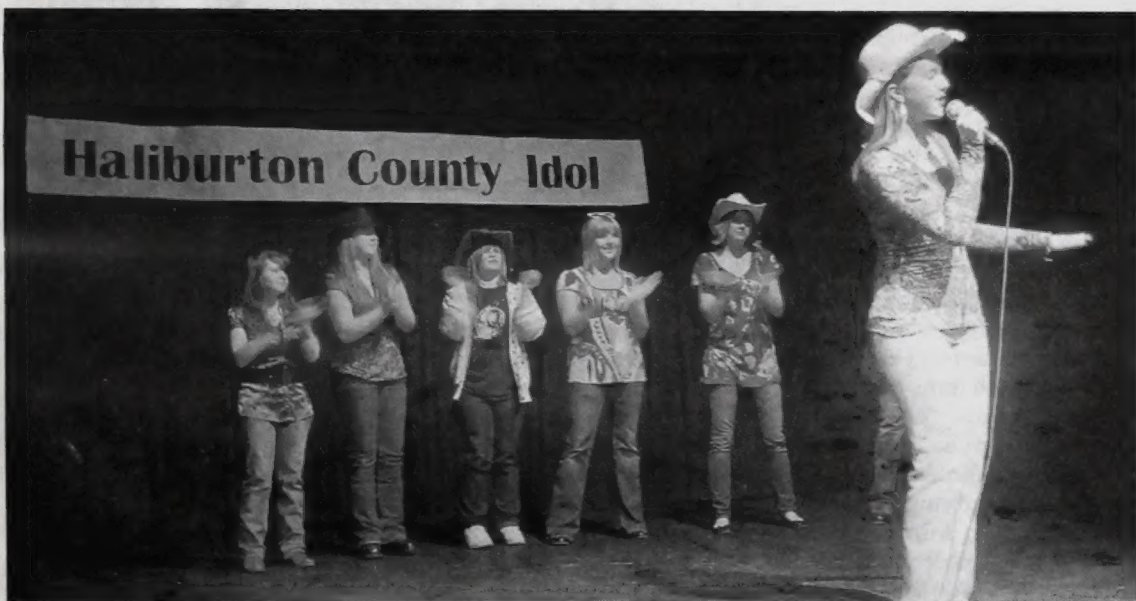
Seven female contestants battled on Friday night at the Northern Lights Pavilion singing hand-picked songs from the country and western, Broadway and rock/pop music genres in an attempt to become the 2008 Haliburton County Idol.

All participants sang with heart and a passion for music but in the end Kelsey Crowe was crowned this year's Idol.

The evening went off without a hitch. For the full story and more pictures see tomorrow's *Minden Times*.



Your 2008 Haliburton County Idol Kelsey Crowe.



Kelsey ends the evening singing a final tune with her fellow Idol contestants clapping and singing along.



Top-three finalist Amelia Edmunds has a bright future ahead after nailing Patsy Cline's 'Crazy'.



Janice Kiteley, 15, opened the show with her rendition of Taylor Swift's 'Teardrops on'



Sixteen-year-old Kirsi Parnjoya of Carnarvon receives praise from the panel of judges

Highlands East budget likely up by four per cent

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the March 25 meeting of Highlands East council.

Highlands East council deferred passing its 2008 budget at last week's meeting.

Clerk Irene Cook said the by-law to adopt the 2008 budget wasn't ready in time for Tuesday's meeting, but noted that it will be presented again on April 8 for council's approval.

As it stands now there will be a 3.81 per cent increase in budget.

Market gets approval

Council has given the green light to a proposal for a Sunday market in Tory Hill this summer.

The Highlands East Cultural Association is proposing to sell organic produce, high-end craft material, and local produce on Sundays in the Tory Hill public park.

Pat Currie told council that her group has already done a lot of preliminary work, including research on traffic control, parking, and garbage disposal. She added that they want to beautify the area by the placement of plant barrels and hanging baskets.

Grin and bear it

Following suit with the neighbouring Municipality of Dysart et al, Highlands East has approved the application for funding under the Ministry of Natural Resources Bear Wise Program.

If successful the municipality will receive funding to purchase and place large garbage bins at landfill sites, in hopes of deterring bears from feeding at the sites and interacting with humans.

Fair gets business in order

Following a delegation by Ken Noble of the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair, council has agreed to let organizers place a storage unit on township property, so long as it comes at no cost to taxpayers.

Noble's committee is applying for funding to purchase the storage unit, which they would like to place between the tennis courts and goat barn. Noble said the Agricultural Fair committee currently has items stored in different locations throughout the municipality, but would like to have them moved permanently to the fairgrounds to simplify the fair's setup.

The final location of the storage unit will be determined by Environmental and Property Supervisor Glen Covert.



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

There was a lot of interest in Bell Canada's map of where high-speed Internet service will be coming next in the Highlands at Friday's information session at the county office. County Road 21 to the Delta Pinestone Resort, the south end of Haliburton Lake and Ox Narrows are all on this year's agenda.

High speed continues to make inroads

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Frustrated by the slow speed of dial-up Internet service? If you own property near the Delta Pinestone Resort or the south end of Haliburton Lake, rejoice. Bell Canada is bringing its high-speed service to a phone line near you this summer.

Bell's drive to get more customers on the World Wide Web's fast lane is continuing apace.

In June, people who own property on the southern tip of Haliburton Lake should be able to sign on. In July, it hopes to offer its services to property owners southwest of Haliburton village. By that time, people within a certain radius of Ox Narrows will also be surfing with speed.

This is the extent of the promises that Jim Neubauer feels comfortable making – at least for 2008. As general manager for this region for Bell Aliant, he's committed to bringing high-speed service to Haliburton County, one area at a time. But he also knows that high-speed can't come soon enough for many property owners. Rather than make promises he can't keep, he makes sure that projects will go ahead, on time, before he announces them.

Last year Bell spent \$2.4 million bringing high-speed to the county's main population centres. Now it's extending its web into the outlying areas. It's getting a small boost from the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, which contributed \$37,000 to this year's projects worth \$700,000. It's hoped more provincial funding will be available next year as well.

High-speed service is vital to the county's economic

well-being. Not only does it allow more people to work from their home, or perhaps extend a weekend at the cottage, but businesses are becoming reliant on the ability to exchange information and documents quickly.

"If you have a small business you should be as competitive here as anywhere else," Neubauer said at an information session at the county office on Friday.

If Bell knows there's demand – future customers – it will be more willing to invest in target areas. He encouraged property owners to work with their lake associations to sign up potential customers, and then to share the list with Bell.

"If I know there are 400 people on Drag Lake that have said, 'If it's available I'll buy it,' that helps me in my business plan," Neubauer said, adding, "This is one of the hottest growing areas."

Meanwhile, people who expressed an interest in county's high-speed agreement with W3 Connect should also contact Bell. These are two competing projects.

The extension of high speed to the Delta Pinestone Resort will include County Road 21 from Wonderland Road to Osprey Road, all of Wigamog Road and the east side of Soyars Lake.

The Haliburton Lake extension includes Fort Irwin north on Haliburton Lake Road to 911 # 5858, all of Curry Road, all of Oblong Lake and Fort Irwin west on Haliburton Lake Road to 911 #4327.

The Ox Narrows extension includes Kushog Lake Road south to approximately 911 # 2800, all of Kabakwa Lake, all of Welch Lake and Lower Welch Lake, Hwy 35 south to approximately 911 #18107 and south on Shangri La Road to 911 #1948.



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Carolyn Barnes plays a modern-day version of the Greek goddess Venus, a Hollywood-obsessed starlet.



Charles Nelson (left) and Kristen Campbell (right) star as Cupid and Psyche in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School production of *Love and Other Myths*. The play debuts tomorrow night at 7 p.m.



Natasha Martin (left) plays Hades and Laura Kirkpatrick (right) plays "a shade of the dead" in the play. Below, Carolyn Barnes is presented the Oscar by Emily Stonehouse and Madison Bailey.



Pop culture meets mythology

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

It's a rare sight to see Greek gods musing over MSN messenger and Britney Spears. But that's exactly what audiences can expect at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School production of *Love and Other Myths* tomorrow night.

Director Darrell Dobson describes the performance as "pop culture meets ancient tale." Written as a collective by Dobson and the cast, the play focuses on four high school students who are sitting in a park on Valentine's Day bantering about the nature of love.

"They use modernized stories from Greek mythology to explore the different dimensions of romantic relationships and love," says Dobson. "By the end of the play their understanding of relationships is transformed by the telling of these tales."

Myths tackled by the cast include the stories of Cupid and Psyche, Demeter — and

Persephone, and Pyramus and Thisbe (a tale used as the source material for Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.)

Dobson says the play evolved from a Grade 12 class project last year and was revisited and revised by a new group of students this year.

The play's cast is made up by a group of "hard-working fresh talent" from Hal High, including Carolyn Barnes, Charles Nelson, Kristen Martin, Natasha Martin, Kevin Mintz, Holly Quibell, Emily Stonehouse, Kaily Schell, Laura Kirkpatrick, and Madison Bailey.

As someone who has written and directed plays in the past, Dobson says that working with the students brought a new energy to his creative process. The end result is a humorous play laced with razor-sharp banter and witty pop culture references.

"I think [the students] helped bring a very fresh approach to these ancient stories," he says. "We took archetypal wisdom,

interpreted it, and are now able to present it in a way that makes sense to modern day audiences, especially teenagers."

Given that the play is largely written for a teenage audience, Dobson says it's a little edgier than past high school performances and does contain some mature content.

"If I had to give it a rating, I would say it's PG-13," says Dobson. "It's written by teenagers, so it's written the way teenagers would talk. There is some foul language and it's a little rough around the edges, but it's really a play with a heart of gold."

Love and Other Myths debuts tomorrow (April 2) at the Haliburton's Northern Lights Pavilion. Tickets for the 7 p.m. performance are \$5 and available at the door.

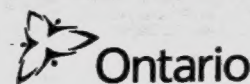
On Saturday Dobson and the cast will also take the play to the Sears Drama Festival in North Bay where they will compete for accolades against other area high schools.



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Bravo!

IF THERE ARE THINGS we can be proud of in the Highlands, it's usually because some volunteer decided to devote hours of their time to make it happen. Just look at the list of some of the past recipients of Highlander of the Year and connect the dots. Bill Gliddon led a Glee Club. Bill Hartin raised money to help the blind by selling countless raffle tickets. Melissa Stephens founded a choir or two. Carol Moffatt restored the Hawk Lake log chute.

This year's recipient, Caryl Miller, will insist that she did not work alone when her list of achievements is read. Yet anyone who knows Caryl will also recognize that without her, ahem, directorial abilities, many of

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her dream projects would have faded long ago. Yes she was part of a team that formed Highlands Little Theatre but few of her original partners are still as deeply involved.

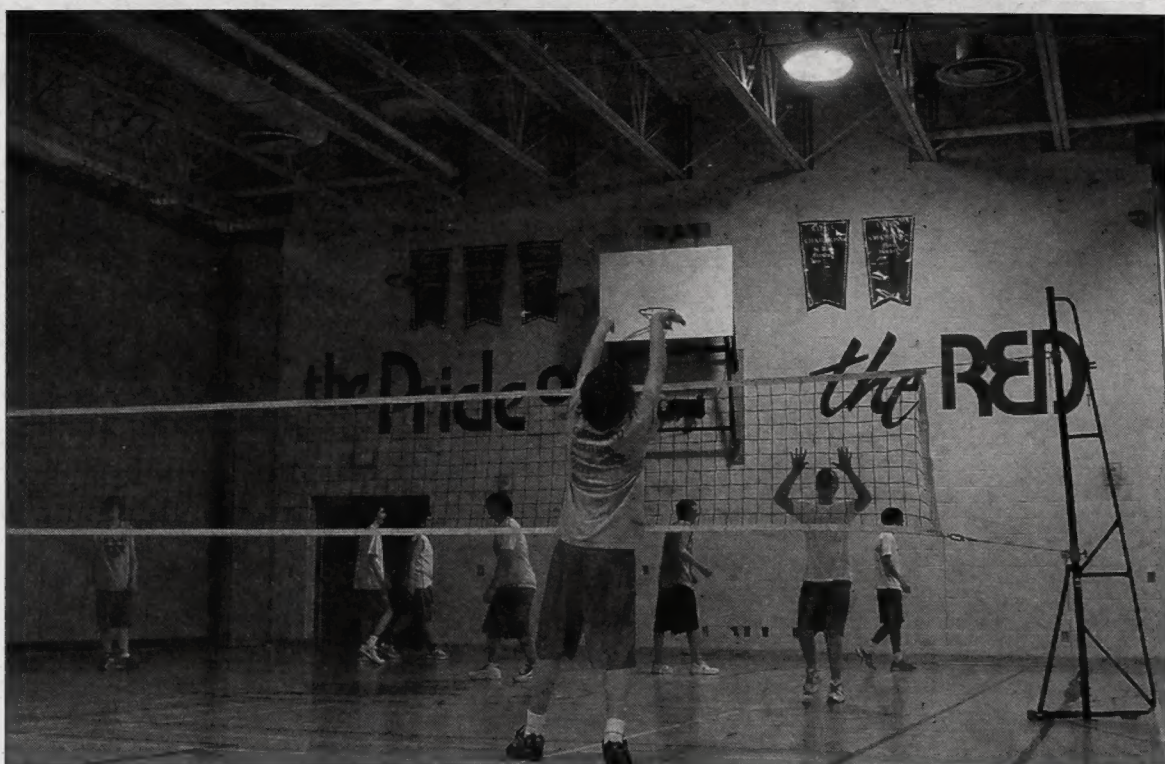
She's been instrumental in keeping it going all these years. She's also the one who so masterfully dealt with all the personalities and people involved in transforming the girls' gym at the high school into the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Caryl takes the proverbial bull by the horns and wrestles it into submission, not simply because of her own strength of character but because she is, so often, right.

It wasn't easy getting the money for the renovations, or coming up with the design, or dealing with all the people who were entitled to having a say when the Pavilion was "built." It was an innovative approach to a community desire to have a theatre.

Can you imagine, today, trying to attract tourists to the Highlands Summer Festival if you told them they had to sit on plywood stacking chairs? Would we have been able to host the Highlands Opera Studio if the opera singers tried to project their voices to the back of a gym? Would annual dance recitals look so professional if there wasn't proper lighting?

The Pavilion has been open for 10 years but it's already become such a fixture in the Highlands that most people probably take it for granted. The annual Chamber awards, however, are a good excuse for us to stop and remember that we have things such as the Pavilion only because we have people such as Caryl Miller.

But it's also important to steer away from saying that people "won" the awards. If you look over the list of nominees, you'd see that they are all winners. It's not a competition. In the Highlander of the Year category, who could say no to Dave Allen, Mike Jaycock, Karen Phipps or Aggie Tose being chosen? Just looking at their résumés is enough to exhaust you. It's incredible how much they are able to squeeze into their day. They do so because they care and are deeply committed to their communities. These are exemplary Highlanders and chances are that one of them will be a future Highlander of the Year.



Playing for Earth Hour at HHSS

Photo by MATT JAMES

Banks are holding us up

I HAVE A BONE to pick with one of our five mega-banks. In fact, now that I think about it, probably several bones. This particular member of the *Cartel of Five* is the one that does not have an office in Minden or Haliburton village. But it could be any one of them.

Yesterday, my wife phoned to check on a matter concerning her debit card. She was advised that there would be a 20-minute wait for the next representative to take her call.

"Your call is very important to us. Please stay on the line as most of our staff is busy counting the incredible profits we've made over the past few years, breaking all records, by the way, in case you might want to buy our stock, which, quite frankly, is about the only way you will get any satisfaction dealing with us..."

With all the money these banks make, they should at least be able to answer their phones within a couple of minutes. I mean, Bell telephone will have a person available within a few seconds of your call (even though the person may live in a foreign country) and they're likely handling a bigger demand than all of the banks put together.

The banks just aren't interested. The only conclusion they leave us with is that they are bent on minimizing any kind of service that requires a human being. This way, they can cut salary costs and just let customers find their own solution to their problem. Telephone answering is going the way of tellers. The banks are replacing as many tellers as possible by machines that charge you money to use them. So instead of having to pay an employee to give you your

own money, they can make more money by giving you your own money. (How stupid are we?) And then they have the nerve to blast their annual successes across every newspaper in the country:

BILLION-PLUS PROFITS UP; LAST YEAR'S RECORD SHATTERED.

And it's not that it takes much talent or brains to achieve success as a Canadian banker. If they were running a bank in any other country, they would actually have to compete with thousands of other banks. Here, until lately, these

guys had the whole country's money to themselves. "Let's see, if we take all the money in Canada and divide it by five...uhmmm...Betty, would you mind staying late and figuring this out for me... Have it on my desk at 10:00 when I get in..."

I'm beginning to think that Bonnie and Clyde were misunderstood. John Dillinger, possibly a visionary, was simply another

frustrated victim of the banks' infuriating service. Of course, those were different times and the banks were having their own problems; no matter how fast they were foreclosing on loans, and throwing people off their farms and out of their homes, some of them still went under. So I guess no one really cared when a banker or two hit the bricks at 130 mph after stepping off a New York City skyscraper, just missing the soup line that stretched around the block.

Will this rant change anything? No. Tomorrow will be "money as usual" in the banks. "Please hold... Your call is important....

Where's Jesse James when we need him?



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Start tuning up the old hen

With turkey season just around the corner, a new and exciting tactic, first brought to national attention in a recent issue of *Field and Stream*, should be welcome news to every turkey hunter in the province. The tactic called "Hensqueezing" is catching on like wild fire in the southern US. Its practitioners utilize barnyard chickens to call in, seduce, and distract big gobblers.

This revolutionary discovery originated in Mississippi where chicken farmers discovered that, if you squeeze a laying hen just right, it could sound like a hen turkey. It's complex, but essentially you hold the chicken like you would a set of bagpipes, and pump its wing up and down while placing the other hand over its back end to regulate airflow.



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Before you get too excited, let me just say that this isn't as easy as it first sounds. In fact, I never thought that I'd get the hang of it. Oh sure I could play "Chopsticks" with my laying hen Clarisse, but I couldn't master the high notes. I'd get her volume and pronunciation to

acceptable levels, but no matter what I did the inflection was all wrong. Quite frankly, it was ridiculous.

I seriously considered shipping her south to have her professionally tuned.

Luckily, I discovered Dumbclucks.com, a hen-squeezing website full of hints on how to play domestic fowl to sound like lovesick turkey hens; whether you use a guinea fowl, peacock, or emu, this site has excellent advice on how to advance in your turkey-calling abilities.

After some careful consideration, I ordered their "Hen Squeezer 2 starter package" for \$19.95 plus shipping and handling. Three days later, I was rewarded with a two-volume CD set, a specially constructed headset and MP3 player for Clarisse, and a 16-page music booklet and fingering chart. The problem, as I soon discovered, was that I was not cupping my regulating hand correctly. Too much air was getting out.

I immediately modified my technique, and soon began playing riffs that sounded remarkably-like our own Eastern wild turkeys. Now, I'd defy anyone to tell the difference.

I don't mind saying that this hasn't been an easy road – neither for Clarisse nor me. But I learned a few things along the way. First, one intense fifteen minute training session is all that's needed each day – after that your hands cramp up. I know it's enticing but resist the temptation to play your chicken three and four times a day – that's a rookie's mistake.

And while some hunters are bound and determined to resort to old parrot training methods, even to the point of wearing a pirate's eye patch and fake peg leg, experts in this fledgling calling sport suggest that this is a hit-or-miss method at best. What you need, they say, is a poultry-based solution, otherwise you run the risk of having your hen blurt out, "Polly want a cracker!" just as the gobbler of a lifetime is coming in.

Do yourself a favour and take the extra time to learn how to play your turkey-calling chicken correctly. You won't be disappointed.

If you haven't hunted wild turkeys with specially-trained poultry yet, maybe this year ought to be the year. I know I'm already very proud of Clarisse's yelp and look forward to the two of us calling in a big old Tom. The feeling I get when that little bantam chicken fills up with air and starts calling is almost impossible to describe. In fact, it's hard to believe.



pic of the past

This week's Pic of the Past shows Ray Welch with his family's dog, taken in late spring in 1931. Ray is the son of Tom and Leitha Welch, who owned Welch's Store in Maple Lake, where this photo was taken. The store is now the Art Hive, which won New Business of the Year at the Chamber of Commerce awards gala on Saturday night. Our thanks to Kathleen Owens of West Guilford for sharing the photo with us.

letters to the editor

Hunt is not solution

To the Editor:

Re: "It's wise to be bear wise" Echo March 25

I must agree that it is wise to be bear wise. However, in last week's Echo Erin Nicholls has the right idea but for the wrong reasons. It seems to me that Mr. Nicholls still has his nose out of joint about the government taking away the spring bear hunt and thereby an easy way for some to exploit a wild animal for their own financial gain. I would hardly call bear baiting a sport.

I find it hard to believe that anyone thinks it's okay for wild animals to survive by eating our garbage. Think about that, surviving by eating our garbage. Have we become so detached from the nature which we are still apart of? Are we not the ones with the big brains? Can we not come up with a better solution than killing anything that poses any kind of problem to our way of life? Can we not evolve enough to take responsibility for the problems which we create? Let's face it, bears have been here for many thousands of years before humankind ever moved in. So who really is the problem?

See **Mother** page 8

Even the law isn't perfect

To the Editor:

Re: Editorial, Naming Names, March 25

To the gentleman who was proven innocent of being impaired while operating a motor vehicle: I feel sorry that you had to go through the emotional tragedy and out-of-pocket expenses over the last year.

In defence of our policing, they strive to be perfect!

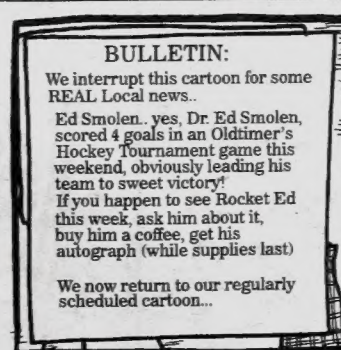
If they are 95-98 per cent efficient, that is remarkable and I applaud our police. Look at it this way: if you, as a student, were to go through our educational system, getting continuous 95-98 per cent marks on all subjects, you would be considered an extremely gifted person.

Today, our system - law makers and law defenders - created such a ménage of red tape that the law enforcers (police) have their hands tied and are totally frustrated in trying to uphold the laws protecting the people. Even more so, in rural areas

See **What** page 8

Boonieville

by Charlie Teljeur



More research reveals true statistics

Dear Editor,

The mathematician who refutes the Earth Hour claim would have been wise to look into the facts first. The *Echo*, in my opinion, should have done its own fact checking before running this potentially damaging letter.

The initial claim was that over a year's period of shutting out lights for one year, the savings would be equivalent to 48,616 cars off the road for a year.

From the Earth Hour website:

"On March 31 2007, for one hour, Sydney made a powerful statement about the greatest contributor to global warming - coal-fired electricity - by turning off its lights. Over 2.2 million Sydney residents and over 2,100 businesses switched off, leading to a 10.2 per cent energy reduction across the city. What began as one city taking a stand against global warming caught the attention of

the world."

If the greenhouse reduction achieved in the Sydney CBD during Earth Hour was sustained for a year, it would be equivalent to taking 48,616 cars off the road for a year.

Kirk Creelman's claim that with lights out their will be lost heat which will generate more power consumption for heat seems a stretch unless you are using light bulbs to heat your house.

The success of Earth Hour's message to people, business, communities, media and government is important and essential. "It's about the planet, stupid" is the updated version of Clinton's famous campaign line.

Alice Miller,
IT Manager,
Patient News Publishing

Roads impassable by car for 4 months

Dear Editor:

I am currently transcribing my father's journals that he kept from 1914 till his death in 1959. He was born in 1895 in the same house I was born in, five miles south of Minden toward Kinmount.

There is an entry in his diaries for every day. I have quoted only the ones that referred to the weather for the winter of 1942-1943.

On December 2, 1942 he entered "Cold, stormy day. 27" snow. Last car traffic on our road."

December 3, "Snowing & Blowing. Roads blocked for cars & everything".

December 4, "Another blowing day. Floyd went to Hazel's on horseback. Shovelled off roofs".

December 31, "5 teams from our line plowed road to Walker's".

January 5, 1943, "Walked to Minden".

January 14, "Snowing hard".

January 15, "Wild snow storm".

January 16, "Big snow storm".

January 19, "Terrible day, drifting, shovelled roof".

January 20, "Stormy".

February 1, "Big snow storm".

February 6, "Soft snow blizzard".

February 7, "Snow storm".

February 10, "Sleet storm all day".

February 24, "Rained last night, snow half gone".

March 1, "Stormy".

March 4, "Stormy".

March 9, "Snowed. Saw 1 crow".

March 10, "Snowed all night & day".

March 11, "Broke road to school, Lil & I to Minden with cutter".

March 15, "Rain and sleet".

March 16, "Rain & sleet".

March 17, "Terrible wind, snow flurries".

March 20, "Stormy, blowing, Floyd to Minden on Diamond". (Diamond was a horse).

March 22, "To Minden with sleighs".

March 27, "3 feet snow yet".

April 1, "Floyd & Lilly Minden with cutter".

April 2, "Floyd walked to Kinmount".

April 3, "Floyd got 100 lbs sweet clover seed from station with cutter".

April 8 "Lilly & Floyd to Minden with cutter".

April 12, "Big snow storm, afternoon".

April 16, "Snowed & rain, sleet".

April 20, "Heavy snow storm".

April 24, "Lilly & Floyd to Minden with buggy. First car on road since Dec 2 1942".

This type of winter was considered normal back then. The roads were axle deep in mud for the next month.

Maybe we're not so badly off this winter after all...

Ray Y.C. Miller,
RR#1 Haliburton

What doesn't kill us, makes us stronger

from page 7

policing is so under funded and under staffed that it is just criminal.

In today's society, the criminal has more rights and protection than the victims and innocent!

Can you imagine that a multiple murderer caught in the action has the best lawyers in the country lined up to defend him. Why, and who pays for this? But if you were involved in a lesser crime (i.e. car theft, assault), it would be extremely costly for you to afford even a second-class lawyer.

The only winners are the lawyers.

Secondly, in terms of the public embarrassment and prejudice that this young man had to endure, I have experienced a similar type of injustice first hand, for even smaller and more petty things.

Be it like water flowing under the bridge, you have to move on and try to find positive from even this bad experience. Life goes on. Good luck!

Al Luke,
Haliburton

Mother nature can do it

from page 7

The fact is that electric fencing, specialized bins and humans who are not afraid to change their ways are proven to work. If you don't leave yummy things around your house/cottage, you won't have bear problems. Proven. You don't need to run out and buy that gun to protect the women and children just yet. If we can keep our influence under control, mother nature will sort things out on her own. There will only ever be as many bears as the environment can support. If we influence the environment by allowing bears to eat our garbage, we will have an unnaturally large population of bear. If we don't let them eat our garbage, both at the dump and at home, we will find a naturally balanced population of bear. Bears are not the problem. Old school thinking, or perhaps not real thinking at all, is.

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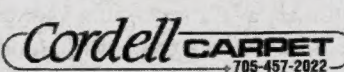


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Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, far left, was on hand Friday morning to help the Park family cut the ribbon on their newly-named Foodland store: Bob, Wendy, Julie, Danielle and Brad. Only the IGA name is gone from the store.

New name, old traditions at Haliburton Foodland

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The sign may have changed but owner Bob Park is keeping everything else the same at his downtown grocery store.

On Friday, Dysart et al Reeve Murray joined Park and his family at the official ribbon cutting for the "new" Foodland store. Park has made the switch from IGA to Foodland, both of which fall under the Sobey's family of grocery stores.

The name change is part of the chain's marketing strategy for rural Ontario. All of the products and prices will stay the same.

Park likes the Foodland franchise because it allows him to make decisions at a local level. For instance, he will continue to invest heavily in the area's breakfast and snack program for school children.

"I came from a broken home. My mother boarded us at a farm and I went to school without a lunch. That's why the breakfast program is important to me. That's my number one donation," he says of his commitment to the program that provides healthy snacks for all children, regardless of their families' financial situation.

Last year he donated \$6,800. This year he donated \$2,700 from the special Toonies for Tummies donation program at the store.

Park has been in the grocery store business ever since he was a 14-year-old earning 45 cents an hour – and thinking he was the luckiest boy around. He was working for Miracle Food Mart in Belleville when the opportunity to buy the IGA in Wilberforce came up. That was 22 years ago. Twelve years after that, he was able to buy the Haliburton store from Oshawa Foods.

When the new store was built six years ago, Park astounded everyone by raising \$15,000 for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation on pre-opening night. He charged people \$20 a ticket to tour the store and nibble on food, attracting hundreds of people to the fundraising event.

Today, his wife Wendy, daughter Julie, son Brad and daughter-in-law Danielle all work with him at the store. "I like the people and I have a good staff here," he says of why he loves the business and wants to invest in its future as a Foodland store.

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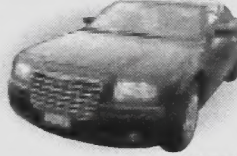
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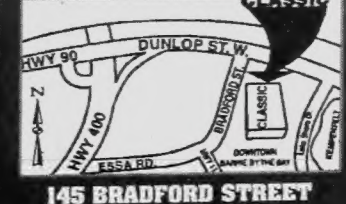
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County residents 'turned off' for Earth Hour

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

It was 8 p.m. on Saturday night when Haliburton County went dark.

But by 8:01 flickering oil lanterns and flashing phone lines were already lighting up the studio at Canoe FM.

"The last callers were sitting in Eagle Lake having dinner by candlelight," Don Cameron tells his wife, Joan, the host of Big Band Saturday Nights. "And they said 'Thanks for the beautiful music.'"

For one hour on Saturday people from across the Highlands participated in Earth Hour, an international event that asked home and business owners to turn off their lights and non-essential appliances in order to save electricity.

Locally, it was 100.9 Canoe FM that led the charge and pushed for local residents and businesses to participate in the global initiative. From 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., listeners were invited to tune in for Joan's broadcast by candlelight and the chance to win eco-friendly prizes such as energy-saving light bulbs, clear plastic garbage bags, and environmentally-friendly cleaning agents donated by local businesses.

By the time the lights went dark Joan says the station had received more than 200 telephone calls and e-mails from people pledging to take part in Earth Hour. In addition, more

than 30 businesses had also signed on and promised to do their part.

"The response has really been astounding, especially in the last few days," said Joan. "The phones here have been ringing off the hook. Forget about getting any work done."

Throughout her broadcast Joan shared listeners' stories about how they were keeping busy during the voluntary blackout. In all corners of the county families were gathered by candlelight playing cards and board games, or bundling up for a moonlit walk under the stars.

The shoreline of Otter Lake was completely blacked out, one caller told Don. Meanwhile, up in Carnarvon, patrons of the restaurant That Place were dining by candlelight and "tapping their toes to the music."

"Isn't it wonderful," Joan said to her listeners. "This is the stuff that memories are made of."

Meanwhile, station coordinator Sue Black was across town representing Canoe at the 2007 Business and Community Achievement Awards, where people were also buzzing about Earth Hour.

"It was the topic of discussion during the cocktail hour, so to me that says it was definitely a success," said Black in a later interview. "Then, at 8 p.m. they dimmed the lights way down, and everybody clapped."

Black said what she found so



Only the light of day illuminates a hallway at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School, making Grade 5 student, Helen Brown, merely a silhouette. The school turned off all its lights for an hour last Friday in support of the global Earth Hour initiative.

exciting about Earth Hour was the opportunity for both Canoe and the community to participate in something that would register on an international

scale.

"It was part of a world-wide effort. When we all went home that night we saw it on the news and they showed all the major

cities, but I think it felt good to say 'Hey, we did that too.'"

Black said the response from county residents was overwhelmingly positive, particularly while she was out walking the streets and visiting local businesses.

"Everybody understood why we were doing this," she said. "And that it's not just about that one hour, but it's about realizing how important that one hour was, and then applying what we learned to the other 23 hours in our day."

In fact, Black said the station is already gearing up for next year's Earth Hour, with plans to make it an even bigger and better event.

"I'm thinking street party," she said.

In addition, the station will also continue to push an environmentally-aware message as we approach Earth Day on April 22.

"We're going to start with our anti-littering messages this week," she said. "My hope is that we all become fanatics about this stuff. It's just so disheartening to see litter in such a pristine environment."

"It's just so important, we all need to start thinking about the environment and the effect we have on it," added Joan after her broadcast Saturday night.

"It really snuck up on us. It was a way of living we all sort of got used to, but now it's time to change."

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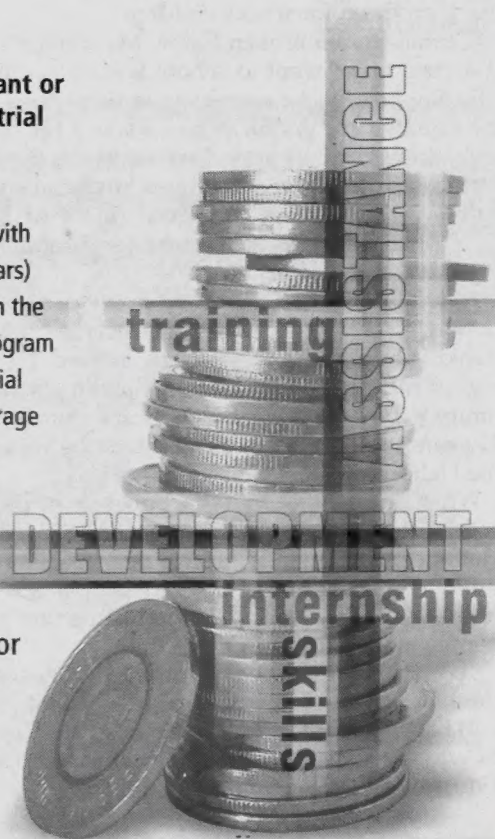


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Haliburton gets \$1.3 million for new library

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municipality had received funding from the program last year when other municipalities in the county didn't. It also helps that the municipality got \$227,000 from the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund a few weeks ago.

Two of the county's four municipalities were happy with Friday's announcements.

"I feel good," says Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, reacting to the announcement that his municipality will get \$1.3 million towards the construction of a new library in Haliburton. "We got exactly what we asked for."

Initial estimates are that it will cost slightly more than \$2 million to build a 5,000 sq. ft. library in a corner of Head

Lake Park on York Street. The \$1.3 million grant is money the municipality won't have to borrow for the new building.

Dysart has done preliminary research on a new library and will now meet with architects to finalize the design. He hopes that work will be able to start this fall.

Minden Hills, which got infrastructure funding last year for its new library, will get \$500,000 this year to help remediate the drinking water problem in Lutterworth Pines. Residents there have been under a boil-water advisory since 2002 so the improvements will be very welcome.

In the provincial funding game, Fearrey notes that last year Dysart didn't get any of the money for its infrastructure improvement proposal.

The province likely divvied up the \$450 million between various ministries, and

priorities may have shifted. Last year many roads projects were funded; this year the emphasis seemed to be on other types of projects.

He's hopeful that the county and local municipalities will still benefit from a provincial funding announcement expected on Monday. "There's a billion dollars coming out on a per capita basis," he says, and that money does not have to be spent on specific projects.

The county roads department has not yet had a chance to discuss the failure of its bid to get \$1.8 million for County Road 21. It's vital that the project go ahead but Fearrey says the county might not be able to do it all in one year.

The scope of the project might be reduced, or other parts of the county

budget may be scaled back.

If county ratepayers were to make up for the provincial shortfall, the tax increase would reach unpalatable levels. Every \$100,000 in spending is a one per cent increase in the proposed budget.

If county politicians decided to make up for the provincial shortfall of \$1.8 million to county ratepayers, the budget would therefore go up 18 per cent because of this project alone.

"It's huge," says county treasurer Laura Janke.

There is likely no political will to see that happen. Until the final provincial funding announcements are made, however, county council will not know if it has to cut its budget, cut the project into section or increase taxes.








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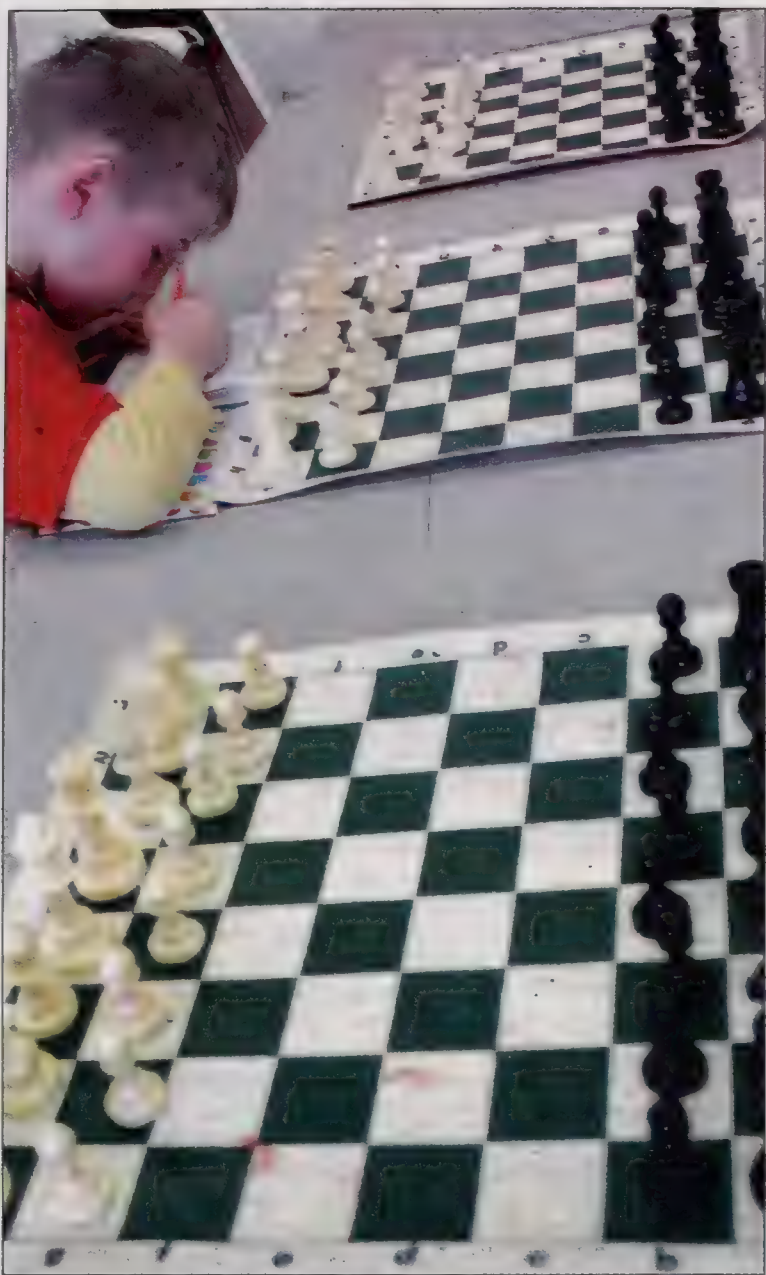
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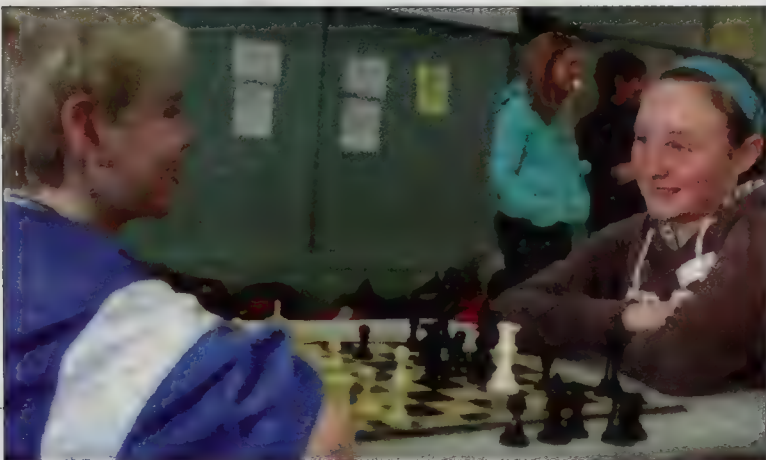
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Grade 2 Stuart Baker student Zack Williams draws a picture during a lull between matches at the TLDSB championships.



Grade 7 student Jessica Bishop of JDHES and her opponent, Luke Mitchell of Rolling Hills Public School, take time out from their afternoon game to share some tips and a few laughs.



Greg Crofts, a Grade 3 student at Stuart Baker Elementary, studies the board intensely and tries to plan out his next move. At right, fellow SBES classmate Elizabeth Paton shakes hands with her opponent, Cameron Ryan Morrison of Langton Public School. Morrison finished first overall in the Grade 3 division.



GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

"I win," declares Aiden Coles with a smile as he checkmates his opponent from the Langton Lazars during the 2008 Trillium Lakelands District School Board chess championship on March 28. Aiden was one of many students representing Stuart Baker Elementary at the annual tournament.

Kings and queens battle for TLDSB chess championship

BLAKE PATON

Special to the Echo

The action was intense over the 64 squares of the chessboard at the 2008 Trillium Lakelands District School Board chess championships, held March 28 in Haliburton. Twelve schools assembled their best players in this year's showdown that had 250 players competing in Grades 1 to 8.

Top performers are headed to the Ontario chess championship in Toronto on April 13.

In Grade 1, Liam McCracken of Stuart Baker Elementary School in Haliburton took the top spot with a perfect record of five wins, while teammate Ben Livingston took second to Liam Burns of Muskoka Falls Public School.

Grade 2 saw Stuart Baker Elementary players dominate the top three spots with Eric Wootton, Zac Shantz and Sam Longo taking the awards.

Cameron Ryan Morrison of Langton returned in Grade Three to defend his title against rivals

Chris Thompson of Archie Stouffer Elementary in Minden and teammate Michael Evans, who finished second and third, respectively.

One of the most hotly contested divisions was Grade 4, where Zoe Orion of Lady MacKenzie in Kirkfield fought off a determined Harrison Wessel of Ridgewood P.S. in Cobocok. Zoe's key victories against third-place Ethan Cooper and last year's champion Joseph Patrick, both of J.D. Hodgson Elementary in Haliburton, proved to be the difference.

The Grade 6 division was dominated in brutal fashion by the JDHES trio of Preston Roberts, Jesse Davis and Del Meyers, with Preston and Del squaring off for the crown in the final round. Preston is now the king of the division.

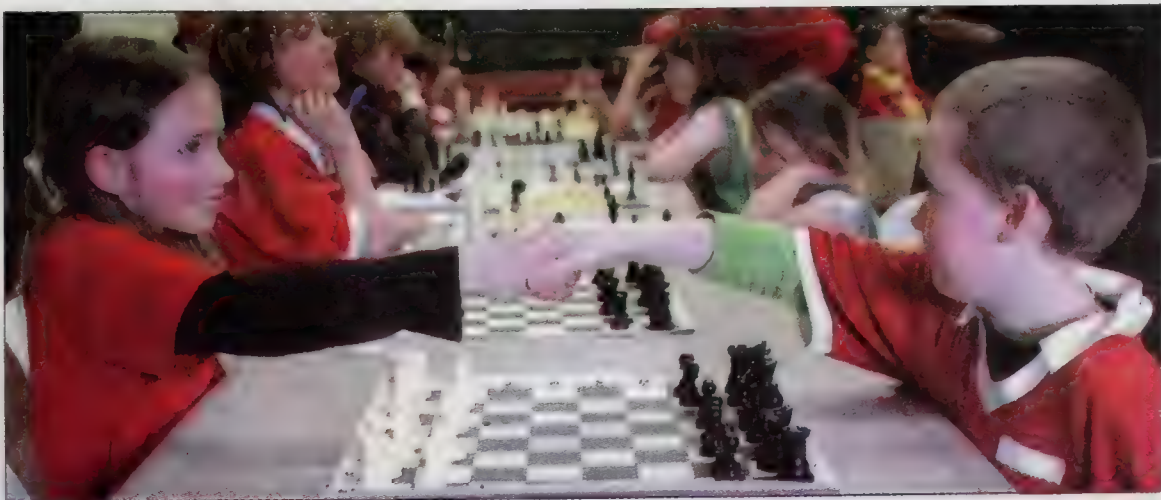
The Grade 7 title was snatched in a huge upset by Ridgewood's Owen Winterburn who defeated two past champions. He was followed by unheralded Mike Boulet, playing for newcomer

Rolling Hills P.S., while JDHES' Jessica Duchene took third.

Perhaps the tournament's biggest upset was staged by Dylan Nguyen of Bracebridge P.S. in Grade 8. The unrated newcomer fought off a determined group of Ridgewood players to emerge victorious with a perfect record. Robert Crober took second, while Chris Murchison took third.

Haliburton's J.D. Hodgson Elementary took the team title, extending its long-running domination of the team competition, which is calculated by adding the score totals of a team's best four players in four different grades.

JDHES: 59
Ridgewood PS: 49.5
Parkview PS: 47.5
Stuart W. Baker ES: 46.5
Langton PS: 42.5
Bracebridge PS: 41.5
Lady Mackenzie PS: 34.5
Muskoka Falls PS: 34.5
Archie Stouffer ES: 32.5
Muskoka Beechgrove PS: 25
Rolling Hills PS: 24.5
Cardiff ES: 17.5



County applauds Miller's passion for theatre

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ered in the ballroom heard that if it were not for Miller's hard work and enthusiasm, the Northern Lights Pavilion would never have been built. They also heard that this was just one of the achievements that made Miller deserve the honour of being chosen the 2008 Highlander of the Year.

"I was absolutely amazed by the energy and passion for the theatre that she exhibited," said Curtis Eastmure, describing the first time he met Miller at an audition for Highlands Little Theatre almost three decades ago. "Caryl," he added, "has done amazing things in this community" ever since.

Eastmure nominated Miller for the Chamber's most coveted annual award and he revelled in the honour of presenting it to her on Saturday night.

Miller was born an actress. When she moved to the Highlands 35 years ago, she was instrumental in helping to create the Highlands Little Theatre as a way to express her creative nature. She has taken to the stage for many performances but has also been a vital backstage presence. She directed a play last year and designed the marvellous costumes for the recent production of *Man of La Mancha*. (The Echo is frequently calling her to ask if she can provide outfits for its humour columnists. She even had her husband, Ray, add an extra floor to their Eagle Lake home so she could house her costume and hat collection.)

You really had to love theatre to put up with the conditions before the Northern Lights Pavilion was created. It was hard to get through an entire performance comfortably on the functional stacking chairs in the gym. (The Little Theatre took to renting out cushions for \$5.) The stage was rudimentary at best and Lord help the person who sat behind someone tall.

Today, the presence of the Northern Lights Pavilion has given new life to countless creative arts. We now have a summer festival, dance recitals, and annual music festivals. Without a proper stage, it's questionable whether the performing arts would have such a strong presence in the Highlands, Eastmure said.

"There would not be a theatre without Caryl's drive and enthusiasm," Eastmure said, just before presenting her with the award.

GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo



Although she's basking in the limelight after being named Highlander of the Year, Caryl Miller is quick to praise all the people who worked with her to make the creation of the Northern Lights Pavilion possible.

When Miller got to the podium, it was one of the few times she was at a loss for words. "You don't measure life by the number of breaths you take but by the moments that take your breath away," she quoted. "This is one of the moments that's taking my breath away."

She said that Haliburton County is full of busy people and that she didn't work alone on any of her projects. She also paid tribute to her husband Ray Miller.

Later asked why she's donated so much of her time to Highlands theatre, Miller said it's because she loves it.

She's proud of the way the Northern Lights Pavilion has fostered a strong performing arts community in the Highlands and has delighted in watching it flourish.

As Eastmure said, as deserving as Miller was for this honour, it was a tough decision for the nominating committee, which spent more than an hour discussing the many achievements of the nominees. They are:

- Dave Allen: "David doesn't sell for Canoe FM - he sells the total Highlands Experience non-stop, 24 hours a day," the awards gala brochure says. Allen has worked tirelessly to get the community station on the air and to help it foster a spirit of community. He recruits new hosts and promotes new initiatives such as the Highlands Radio Almanac, the travelling radio show.

- Michael Jaycock: Jaycock came up with the idea of the Almanac as a way of promoting local events and talents. As president of Canoe FM, as well as a morning host, "his enthusiasm has helped Canoe FM become the station it is today," the awards program said. "He has given so much of himself and his time to the community and has never asked for anything back."

- Karen Phipps: Students in every school across the county get a healthy snack thanks to the efforts of the first county co-ordinator of Food for Kids. She's always looking for ways to improve and enhance the program to "ensure that no child is asked to learn on an empty stomach," the program said.

- Aggie Tose: On top of her full-time job as office manager of G.J. Burtch Construction, this dynamo is executive officer for the Haliburton County Home Builders Association, organizing its annual Christmas toy drive and fundraising hockey tournament. She ensures that local builders have the training they need. Her success locally has led to her appointment to the executive of the Canadian Home Builders Association. For years she coached figure skating and is co-chair of the Terry Fox Run. Last year she co-chaired the county's first Relay for Life, which raised a staggering \$131,000.



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Businesses also earn Chamber accolades

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Hard work, dedication and a willingness to take risks were well rewarded at the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce awards gala on Saturday night.

The gala is the Chamber's annual salute to the people and businesses which make Haliburton County thrive. The Chamber receives nominations in several categories and a selection committee chooses the recipients.

Caryl Miller was awarded Highlander of the Year for her lifetime commitment to the performing arts but there were several others coming up to the podium to bask in the limelight at the Delta Pinestone Resort.

"It's an exciting time," said incoming Chamber president Paul Gonyea in welcoming the crowd of approximately 120 people. The Chamber's "tremendous team" of staff and volunteers has many plans to help the business community.

"By working together we will achieve great things for years to come," he said before giving the mike back to the wisecracking emcee of the evening, Mike Jaycock.

The Small Business of the Year Award was presented to Janet and Jim Tice of the Kozy Korner. The 75-year-old restaurant is a Haliburton institution and Janet Tice starts each day by preparing 60 dozen eggs, 66 pounds of bacon, at least one 25-pound turkey and gallons of coffee. Last year the Kozy moved from one corner of the main street to the other, bringing its commitment to good service and value along with it.

A very appreciative Janet Tice thanked her staff and the regular patrons for their support. Later she said



Accepting the awards on behalf of their businesses and organizations were, from left, front row: Evelyn Beeby of the Haliburton County Development Corporation, Janet Tice of the Kozy Korner, Highlander of the Year Caryl Miller and Erin Lynch and Sandi Luck of the Art Hive. Back row: Alan Roberts of Patient News Publishing, Jim Tice of the Kozy Korner, Jim Jones of the Dorset Snowball committee and young entrepreneur Tiffany Howe.

that she started as a waitress and when she and her husband decided to buy the business, "we borrowed everything." Luckily, she loves to cook and she loves people. She doesn't even mind, too much, waking up at four in the morning.

"Maybe I'm a control freak," she laughs. "I'm there seven days a week and want to make everything perfect."

The other nominee in the small business category was the Wild Orchid Thai restaurant in Minden.

It's been a good start of 2008 for Patient News Publishing. Earlier this year Print Action magazine gave it a silver award as the top printer in Canada with an environmental policy. On Saturday it was awarded the Large Business of the Year award by the Chamber.

This caps the hat trick of being named one of the top 100 employers in Canada by Macleans magazine for three years running.

"We know how to work hard but we also know how to play hard," said director of operations Alan Roberts, picking up the award on behalf of owners Wayne

Lavery and Karen Galley.

Lavery began Patient News Publishing 15 years ago with one dentist as a client. Today the Haliburton-based newsletter business has 1,500 clients, most of them in the United States and United Kingdom.

Strong corporate values extend to policies that reduce the amount of waste that the business generates, which is a challenge in the printing business. It's a challenge that Patient News thrives on, said Roberts.

He gave a lot of credit to the 70 people who work there. "Businesses cannot succeed without the people who support you."

The other nominee in this category was Haliburton Lumber.

The Art Hive artisans collective was

chosen as the New Business of the Year.

One of the partners, Sandi Luck, gave much of the praise to founder Erin Lynch, who took the risk of buying the former Maple Lake general store and transforming it into a place where local artists could market their work.

"It was Erin's vision and she put a lot of time and energy into it," Luck told the crowd.

Lynch said it was a real honour to win the award. She thanked Jim Blake of the Arts Council and the Haliburton County Development Corporation. "Without their support the Art Hive would never have happened."

The other nominee was the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team.

This dedication to supporting the local

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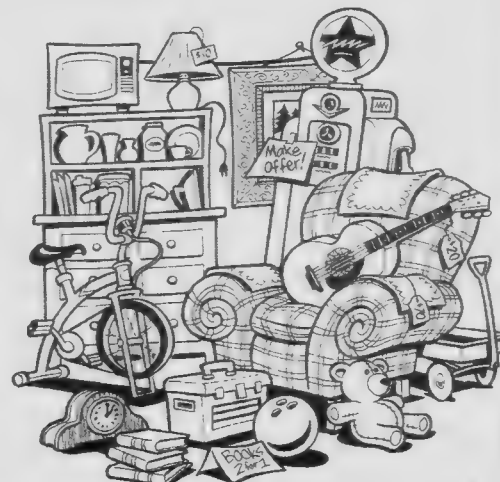
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Chamber of Commerce salutes entrepreneurial spirit

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economy is one of the reasons the HCDC was chosen as the Not-For-Profit Business of the Year. Since its creation 22 years ago, it's given out \$33 million in loans and grants, helping to create 3,000 jobs. It is funding 160 community economic development projects and has supported more than 30 youth interns.

"The HCDC represents your federal dollars at work," said Evelyn Beeby, chairperson of the board of directors, when she accepted the award on behalf of the organization. The money the HCDC provides has made a significant contribution to the Highlands economy.

She praised manager Andy Campbell for being "knowledgeable, good-natured, creative and well-organized."

He later gave praise to the organization's staff: Patti Tallman, Peggy Munn, Jim Blake and Tracey Dyson.

The other nominee for the award was the Haliburton Highlands OPP.

Haliburton Highlands Secondary

School Principal Gary Brohman said he is often asked if the youth of today has what it takes to meet the challenges of the future. In presenting the Youth of the Year award to two of his students, he said "there's no doubt in my mind" that they and their schoolmates are up to the task.

Co-op student Jesse Brookes has "hands of gold," Brohman said, and will likely be a future winner of the entrepreneur of the year award. Maddie Ferracuti has a big heart and she volunteers for many school activities with a big smile to go along with it.

Maddie thanked Brohman for helping the students reach their potential while Jesse praised teacher Wanda Mole's commitment to the co-op program and his employer, G.J. Burch Construction.

"I give a shout-out to all the staff at the high school, especially Mr. Brohman. You've made this an amazing four years and don't you ever retire."

Tiffany Howe gave an emotional thank you to the Chamber for being chosen for the Young Entrepreneur of the Year



With high school principal Gary Brohman and fellow award winner Jesse Brookes looking on, Maddie Ferracuti thanked the Chamber for the honour of being one of the Youth of the Year.

Award. As a young artist, she knows how challenging it can be to put your stamp on the world. She was a founder of the Newfangers Art Festival to give young artists a showcase for their work.

"This couldn't be done by one person," she said, giving special mention to the festival's co-founder, Chris Postill. "No one could have done it without such a

supportive community."

The other nominee was Adam Tomlinson of Brightwoods Landscaping.

County warden Eleanor Harrison chose the Dorset Snowball committee for the Award of the Year. By praising the committee for attracting hundreds of visitors to the carnival every year, she was also praising the entire community.

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Ontario ATV clubs form alliance to benefit riders

Two of Ontario's largest ATV clubs have joined together in alliance. The Haliburton ATV Association and Kawartha ATV Association are joining forces.

The alliance will be managed by a committee, which will report back to the respective boards of both organizations. The members of both organizations will have full access to every trail during the season. Together both organizations represent a sizeable membership and the collective trails of these organizations cover a large swath of Central Ontario.

While both clubs will still maintain their own club brands and be governed by their own by-laws, the alliance committee's recommendations would be joint recommendations applying to both organizations in lockstep.

Non-member riders would still buy temporary passes from the

local club areas they are riding in. Members would travel freely between the two organizations and would carry their membership card or decal identification as proof of membership.

The yearly membership rates are \$95 individual and \$190 family.

Both clubs believe ATV club members and riders should control their own destiny, rather than have non-ATV interests dictating outcomes and siphoning off resources.

"We wanted to show leadership and believe ATV riders throughout the province need to work together to insure long term survival," said Steve Lane, president of KATVA, in a press release.

"It's a natural fit because it is in the best interests of neighbouring organizations that ATving remains sustainable against the many external threats that are not positive to ATving," added HATVA president Hugh Trask.

In addition to sharing trails the members will help maintain trails collectively. Both clubs are careful to point out that the alliance is much more than two clubs reciprocating.

"Last year we did two major bridge projects on the rail line in Haliburton. The one trestle over 100 yards long was completely stripped and re-decked with 2" hemlock. Obviously projects of this magnitude require many volunteer helpers so blending resources for maintenance makes sense and will further trail riding opportunities for both clubs" said Mark Coles, who founded HATVA.

"Both clubs will cross insure each other, we both use the same insurance carrier, and we may even do some inter-club events," added KATVA's vice president Mark Stewart.

Full details will be posted on www.haliburtonatv.com and www.kawarthaatv.com.

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Vi Smith endeared herself to all

It's sad to have to report the news of the death of a dear and honoured friend and relative of so many Guilford residents. Vi Smith died peacefully on March 28, 2008 at Extendicare.

Vi was born to Alf and Frances Sisson on the farm on Grass Lake, attended school here, then went to Normal School (as Teachers' College was known then), and taught partly in Muskoka and partly in Haliburton areas for a few years.

She and Bill Smith were married and lived in Toronto before returning to the tourist facility (the old homestead) where Vi had been born. It was known, lodge and cabins, as Hillcrest Haven. Vi was known for her high standard of housekeeping employing much local help. Her meals and gift as hostess were likewise spoken of. St. Andrew's Anglican (now the residence of Donnewalds) was Vi's church home where

she taught large numbers in Sunday School classes, and where she was a faithful member of the former Women's Auxiliary, Anglican Church Women, where she served as treasurer for years. I also recall her hosting a young people's group – oh, the fun and oh, those goodies!

Vi sold the lodge eventually and moved to a lovely house overlooking Boshkung Lake on Hwy 35. From there Vi tried her wings, achieving her travel dreams journeying to Europe, to South America and to Mexico. Vi's family was her first love with her son, Craig, and his twins Joanne and Jennifer. They supported her in her move to Parklane apartments and their frequent visits and care in many aspects were a joy in her life.

Sadly, Vi's eyesight failed in the last few years and necessitated her move to Extendicare where once again faithful

friends kept calling on her. Our sympathy goes to Craig, Linda, to Maureen, Jenny and Joanne. Christy, Tyson and Carson will miss their great-grandmother; they saw her often when she couldn't see them.

The service at St. George's on April 1st will no doubt pay full tribute to this lovely lady who endeared herself to so many over her long lifetime.

On to happier news: congratulations to The Art Hive, nominated for and winner of best new business of the year at the Chamber of Commerce awards gala. Erin Lynch accepted the trophy on behalf of the collective. Well done indeed!

Congratulations to Caryl Miller of Eagle Lake on becoming Highlander of the Year!

Peggy Flowers, Dale McConnell, Shawn and Dianne Hagerman, who attended the gala, are some of those who owe their joy in theatre to Caryl's direction and experience in acting. We are so proud of our worthy director/actress and grateful that she initiated Highlands Little Theatre.

News just arrived of the death of Joan (Griffin), young, wife of Stanley Young of Oshawa, and mother of four. Joan was the daughter of Dorothy and Hugh Griffin and sister of Noel and Wayne who had pre-deceased her. Our sympathy to the relatives still living in the neighbourhood.

Addendum to last week – what was meant was that Nila could rest easy knowing that the ball was still in good use.

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLAN OF SUBDIVISION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 51 of the *Planning Act*, as amended, and Ontario Regulation 544/06, as amended, that the following Application for Plan of Subdivision has been submitted to the County of Haliburton, the approval authority in these matters.

TAKE NOTICE: The Committee of the Whole of the County of Haliburton will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday April 23rd, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario to hear comments on the proposed plans of subdivision.

1. File No. 46-T-07001

Applicant: HARBURN HOLDINGS LIMITED

Location of the Property: Part of Lots 6 to 10, Concessions 11 & 12, Geographic Township of Guilford

Nature of the Application: Plan of Subdivision

Purpose and Effect: The application proposes to create a 10 lot recreational residential subdivision on Lipsy Lake. The proposed lots will be serviced through private water and septic with access over private rights-of-way.

ANY PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed plan of subdivision.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS in respect of the proposed plan of subdivision/condominium are to be filed with the County of Haliburton, Planning Department, P. O. Box 399, 11 Newcastle St., Minden, ON K0M 2K0.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, if one is held, or make written submissions to the County of Haliburton in respect of the proposed plan of subdivision before the approval authority gives or refuses to give approval to the draft plan of subdivision, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the County of Haliburton to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting if one is held, or make written submissions to the County of Haliburton in respect of the proposed plan of subdivision before the approval authority gives or refuses to give approval to the draft plan of subdivision, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

REQUESTING NOTICE OF DECISION: A decision will be made by the Council of County of Haliburton once the review of the proposal has been completed. If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the County of Haliburton in respect of the proposed plan of subdivision/condominium, you must make a written request to the Planning Department, County of Haliburton, P. O. Box 399, 11 Newcastle St., Minden, ON K0M 2K0.

OTHER RELATED APPLICATIONS: There are currently no other planning applications related to the subject lands.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information regarding this Application for Plan of Subdivision is available for public inspection at the Planning Department, County of Haliburton, by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Dated at the Township of Minden this 1st day of April, 2008.

Jane M. Tousaw, A.M.C.T.
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Exploring one's identity through art

Who are we? What makes us? Who are we becoming?

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These questions become very prominent for young people about to step out into the world for the first time. Their exhibition at the Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre is titled "Speak Through My Eyes". The students feel passionate about the theme they have chosen and collectively they employ a variety of media to express their reactions through art.

This year's Portfolio class exhibition is generously supported by the Ontario Arts

Council's Artist in Education program and Trillium Lakelands District School Board. Through this support, the Rails End brought nationally acclaimed contemporary artists Gary Blundell and Victoria Ward to the school. [Ward's exhibition titled "rockets and gallows" will be at the Gallery in May, 2008 and Blundell's exhibition, "bloom" was there last August.] Blundell and Ward worked intensively with the portfolio class students in preparation for this group exhibition. Students explored contemporary art practices, learned to craft artist statements, create promotional material, and created artworks informed by a conceptual theme. From start to finish the class has experienced the ins and outs of planning and designing an exhibition.

Participating artists: Jessica Austen,

Danielle Chvedukas, Chris Hosken, Elizabeth Lopez, Alisha Merritt, Erin Nicholson, Kristin Nicholson, Chris O'Mara, Jessica Pottier, Jocelyn Regina, Bronwen Rolfe, Ian Sachs, Emily Sands, Ashleigh Schollig, Lesley Slavish, Bethany Snelgrove, Mhairi Treharne and Emily Turner.

The exhibition opened with a reception and a walk-about led by the young artists on Saturday March 29.

The Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre is open Wednesday through Friday, 11 a.m. through 5 p.m. and Saturdays from noon until 4 p.m.

The County of Haliburton



NOTICE

The Council of the County of Haliburton will be holding a 2008 Budget Meeting on **Wednesday, April 9, 2008 at 1:00pm** in the County Council Chambers at **11 Newcastle St., Minden.** The public is invited to attend.



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Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Curling winds down

It all came down to two exciting tie-breaking playoff ends to decide a winner in the Men's Curling Bonspiel March 28 and 29. As a result a Bancroft team of Peter Slater, Jim Sopha, Tom Perry and Joe Furlan won the Keith Cameron Trophy with 48 points. After this close loss, the Wilberforce team of Doug Stephen, Chris Stickland, George Calfas and Chris Stelter placed third with 36 points. Coming up the middle after three good games was the Minden team of Peter Neilage, Murray Cooper, Gerald Clark and Warren Payne, who took second place with 40.50 points.

The Stu Garland team of Manfred Stetler, Richard Van Hoffen and Ron Roberts placed fourth with 27 points. In fifth place was the team of James French, Daryl Sands, Avril French and Alex Sands. Chris Hughes' team of Al Jeans, Brent Staggs and Jay Campeau placed sixth.

Thanks to Daryl Sands who convened the bonspiel and curled as well. Daryl and all his volunteers who helped with the scoring, bartending and in the kitchen are really appreciated. The sponsors who provided fine prizes and other support had their names well displayed at the spiel. Thanks for your continued assistance. The dinner that Daryl and his family prepared was greatly enjoyed. It was a very competitive and fun way to end the curling season here in the village.

Still with curling, many participated and enjoyed all the leagues this year. The club appreciates all who convened those leagues, all those who played including several new to the club and to curling and to all who so often spared for others who were absent due to illness, appointments and vacations. A big thank you to President Doug Stephen for his cheerful dedication to the Club. Among his extra efforts was organizing curling lessons for the Grade 5/6 students from the Wilberforce school. What great variety that added to their physical education program.

The last curling event will be the

Awards Dinner on Thursday, April 17 at the Wilberforce Legion.

That Grade 5/6 class has certainly had some exciting times in recent months. As well as the curling lessons the students continue to be involved weekly in the "When We Were Young" project. How their language arts and visual arts programs have been enriched as they write, speak, listen and paint. Several sessions have started with a simple circle folk dance to drumming

music. This always seems to focus the group as the youngsters and adults come together for the next lesson in the program.

What enthusiasm is being shown as the work progresses on mask making, puppet creation and short plays. The development of some aspect of the seniors' stories in a presentation piece is the current challenge as they approach the finale of this project. On Friday May 2, at 7 p.m. they will be presented to families, friends and all who might be interested.

In case anyone was checking in last week's news I gave each of those nephews of mine one too many greats. Sorry about that - but they are great just the same!

The Loop Troupe has located a sideboard along with all the rest of needed properties for the set for their upcoming production on April 11 and 12 at the Lloyd Watson Centre. The cast of Kim Barrett, Leah Grant, Dan Linkert, Hilda Clark and Carolyn Barnes are in high gear getting the lines right for Funeral Tea/Reunion /Ashes To Ashes Crust To Crust. And director Gill Stephen is coordinating everything from costumes to the set in addition to her directing duties. All will be ready to entertain come show time.

The Friday show will start at 7:30 p.m.. The Saturday April 12th play will begin a half hour earlier at 7 p.m. This will allow those who will be going on to Harcourt to a benefit dance being held for Joann Bugg and George Calfas whose home was destroyed by fire earlier this winter.

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Hilda Clark

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Spring brings meetings and karaoke to Legion

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Mel Smith

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Welcome to Spring.

The next two weeks are going to be very full for our membership.

On Tuesday, April 1, the executive will meet at 7 p.m.. This will be the last executive meeting before the April 8 election. Be sure to have your membership card so you can vote.

The Ladies Auxiliary will meet on Thursday, April 3 at 1 p.m. for its executive meeting.

On April 5 tune up your vocal chords and come out for karaoke at 9 p.m.. Admission is free.

The deadline for having your income tax prepared by Ms. Watson is April 23. Drop by the Legion from 1 p.m. til 3 p.m..

L.A. President Eloise Sommerville would like to thank all the girls and guys that come out regularly and help with their functions. April 13 is the second Sunday of the month so we will have our Sunday Brunch.

The Share the Wealth Draw was won by Mike Siebrath.

Lest We Forget:

March 31: Bid Euchre 7 p.m.

April 1: Executive Meeting 7 p.m.

April 2: Open Euchre 1 p.m.

April 2: Open Darts 7:30 p.m.

April 3: L.A. Executive Meeting 1 p.m.

April 4: Open Pool 1 p.m.

April 5 Meat Draw 3 p.m.

April 5: Karaoke 9 p.m.

community calendar

What's happening in the Highlands

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CURRENT EVENTS

- **Apr 2:** VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m. Located in the Community Care Drop-In Centre in the Halco Plaza in Haliburton. Subsequent clinics the first Wed. of every month. To book an appointment call 1-800-743-6255. Everyone Welcome
- **Apr 3:** Figure out Food Labels - with registered dietitian Rosie Kadwell, 10:30 am in Haliburton, 2 pm in Minden. Please call 457-1391 ext. 245 for more information and to sign up.
- **Apr 5:** Maplefest "All you can eat" Pancake Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale at Lochlin United Church 9 am - 1pm, Lochlin Rd, off Gelert Rd (County Rd 1), Lochlin. The best deal in town! Real Haliburton Maple Syrup.
- **Apr 8:** Osteoporosis - Bone up on your Bones!! Hear the latest. Echo Hills Apartment Building at 3 pm. Speaker is Heather Easton, Osteoporosis Canada, Sponsored by the Hal. Highlands Family Health Team, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pineridge District Health Unit, Osteoporosis Canada.
- **Apr. 9:** The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild is meeting at the Minden Lion's Club. Doors open at 11 a.m. The meeting starts at 1 p.m. and our visiting speaker will be Renske Helmuth who will do a trunk show. Renske will also do a workshop on the following day. Call Anita Dobell, 457-3723.
- **Apr 9** - Free Dental Screenings for children are available by appointment from 10-12 at the Haliburton OEYC. For more information please call 457-2989. This opportunity is in partnership with HKPR Health Unit.
- **Apr 9:** Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group Meeting will take place in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (back door). The doors open at 6pm for business and chat. The speaker at 7pm will be Dr. R.B. (Rae) Fleming, historian, biographer and author. Topic "General Stores of Canada: Merchants and Memories". No charge. Everyone Welcome. Refreshments available. Bring & Win Raffle. For more info contact Gail Leach-Wunker 286-2225.
- **Apr 13:** Spring Fashion Show - Bonnie View Lake Inn on Lake Kashawigamog - Working with Miss Lester's of Huntsville, and Baubles N' Bonbons of Haliburton, Community Care will be presenting Bridal Wear, Prom Dresses, Evening Wear, Costumes and assorted other fashions along with beautiful Bling and Chocolates. Coffee, Tea, and Treats will be served after the Fashion Show. Tickets are \$20 (limited seating). Tickets can be purchased at Baubles N' Bonbons in Haliburton, the Storeroom in Minden, and at Community Care.
- **Apr 15:** From Lullabies to Literacy at the Haliburton OEYC starting Apr. 15. For parents and children 0-6yrs. Come for a relaxed morning to help your child to love books through activities, song, and stories. For more information or to register at 286-4625 or with Point in Time Centre at 457-5345.
- **Apr 16:** Garlic Workshop with MC Robb, Sponsored by the Haliburton County Farmers Association at 7pm sharp at the Minden Community Centre, Room 2. Admission by donation and door prizes are available.

ONGOING EVENTS

- The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome. Contact Marian Gillanders, 489-3574, for information on meeting location.
- The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group meets the 3rd Tues. of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. Call Rick Ratcliff at 286-6699.
- The Minden Women's Institute - Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month, now until June/08 at 1:30 p.m. Contact Pam 754-1656 or Mary 286-1158 for upcoming meeting location.
- TOPS - Take off pounds sensibly. Join us Mondays at Community Care. First meeting free. Weigh-in at 9:30-10 a.m. followed by short meeting. Call Don or Mary at 447-2420.
- Township of Algonquin Highlands - For adults & seniors in the community, Euchre at Club 35 on Mondays at 7 p.m. For more info call: 489-2945.
- Township of Algonquin Highlands - Writers Circle every other Sat. at Club 35 at 9 a.m. The circle is open to writers of all capabilities, (experienced or emerging). Call: 489-3878.
- Skating - Moms & Tots Skating (Free) Wednesdays 10am-12pm. or, Adults Skate (\$1.00) Wednesdays Noon-2 pm, both held at the SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden.
- Security Check Phone Call - Community Care Haliburton County has volunteers to give seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults a Security Check Phone Call. Call Judy at 457-2941.
- Weight Lifting for Mature Adults offered by Community Care - Every Tuesday - individual evaluations and individual programs designed by a Can-Fit Pro certified personal trainer. Call 457-2941 for information.

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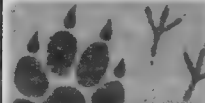
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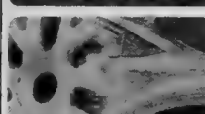
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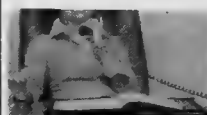
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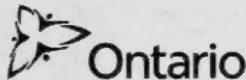
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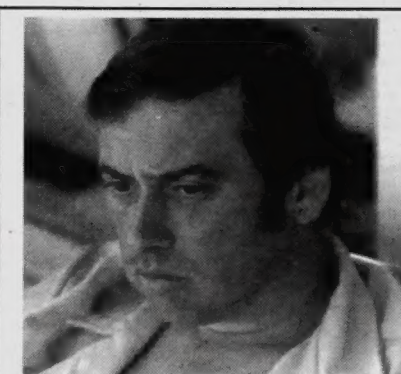
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Thank You Cards

BURNS - The family of the late Wm (Bill) Burns would like to thank the doctors and nursing staff of the Haliburton Hospital Emergency Unit of the Hospital for their kindness and care. Thank you to Dr. Tina Stephenson and nurses of the Acute care Unit of the Hospital for your excellent care shown to Bill while in the Hospital. Thank you to Gwen the Home Care nurse for coming two times a week. Also thank you to the Ambulance Staff who took over the last trips to the Hospital.

Thanks to everyone who sent food, Made phone calls, sent cards, flowers, memorial donations in Bill's name.

Bill was a kind and generous, loving man and we will miss his smiling face.
- Nadine Burns and Family

Birthday greetings

Happy 60th Birthday Poppa!!

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Mikayla and
Katie
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Thank You Cards

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On behalf of the Tenants of Mountainview Apts. I would like to thank the Haliburton Fire Department, The Ambulance Attendants, The Haliburton Curling Rink and its Members, and the Kawartha/Haliburton Victim Services for all of their help and support on Wednesday night during the evacuation of the Tenants of Mountain St Apartment building due to the fire. Your care, support and help was a welcomed relief to all of us. From the transportation in the Dyna-bus to warmth and shelter, food and drinks, socks and shoes for those with cold feet and for just holding our hand and keeping us calm and safe. The quick response of the Fire Department kept the fire damage contained to one area which allowed most of the Tenants to return to their home later that night.
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Deaths

CULLY, Madeline Christena Albertha - Entered into rest surrounded by her family at Caressant Care Nursing Home on Mary Street in Lindsay on Easter Sunday, March 23, 2008. Madeline (nee Dack) at the age of 82, was the beloved wife of the late Lloyd Cully. Cherished and devoted mother of Wayne and his wife Nelda, Lyle and his wife Susan and Marilyn and her husband Doug Dunstan. Proud and treasured grandmother of Amber-Lee and her husband Jamie Johnston, Angela and her husband Mark Yurick, Lisa and her boyfriend Chris Jones, Julie and her boyfriend Mark O'Neill, Jennifer, Catherine and Christopher. Adored and loving great grandmother of Ryan and Kevin. Fondly remembered by relatives and friends. Visitation was held at the **MACKEY FUNERAL HOME**, 33 Peel Street, Lindsay on Tuesday, March 25th from 11:00 a.m. until the funeral service in the chapel at 1:00 p.m. Interment later at South Wilberforce Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Canadian Cancer Society or to the Peterborough Regional Health Centre Dialysis Unit would be appreciated by the family.

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Deaths

YOUNG, Joan (nee Griffin) - Passed away peacefully at Lakeridge Health Oshawa on March 26, 2008. Beloved wife of Stan. Loving mother of Scott, Grant, Kelly, Tracy (Glenn Millage). Cherished grandmother of Lynsey, Taylor, Shanyin, and Bryan. Predeceased by her infant son Ross, two brothers Wayne and Noel and parents Hugh and Dorothy Griffin. She will be sadly missed by her sister-in-law Theo, many friends and extended family. Respecting Joan's wishes, a private family ceremony has taken place. Arrangements entrusted to **MOUNT LAWN RECEPTION CENTRE** 905-665-0600

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Deaths



Violet Smith

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Visitation & Memorial Service

Friends may call at **ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH** 617 Mountain St. Haliburton on Tuesday morning, April 1, 2008 from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service at 11 o'clock. Rev. Faun Harriman officiating. Interment later St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery, Maple Lake. As expression of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation) or the Canadian Institute For The Blind (CNIB) would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118 Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.

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Thomas "Glenn" Forestall

January 1, 1931 - March 25, 2008

Entered into rest at the Haliburton Hospital, Haliburton on Tuesday March 25, 2008 in his 78th year. Survived by his dear wife Anne, father of Pat, Mike, Danny, Rick, Mary Ann (Chris), and Jerry. Glen's pride and joy are his beloved grandsons Adam and Connor. Predeceased by his parents Tom and Cora, his sisters Helen, Mid (Gord), and his brother Jerry (Marg). Born and raised in Oshawa, Ontario, Glenn raised his family in Whitby, Ontario while working at Johns Mansville and Houdaille. He moved to Haliburton 20 years ago and made many friends while indulging in his favourite pastimes of fishing, hunting, and playing cards.

Visitation & Memorial Mass

The family will receive friends at the **W.C. TOWN FUNERAL CHAPEL**, 110 Dundas Street East, Whitby (905-668-3410) from 7 to 9pm Thursday. Mass of Christian burial will take place at St. Leo's Parish, 130 Watford Street, Brooklin, Ontario - www.stleosbrooklin.com, on Friday March 28, 2008 at 11am. Interment St. Gregory's Cemetery, Oshawa, Ontario. As expressions of sympathy donations to **SIRCH Community Hospice**, 4663 County Road 21, Box 687, Haliburton, Ontario - www.sirch.on.ca would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged locally through the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209

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Obituaries

LOWERY, Donald Percival - Born in Toronto on April 22, 1933.

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In memoriam

BRADBURY, Frances - November 5, 1916 - April 1, 2007

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Forever in our hearts*

- Wife Marjorie, Children Stan, Teresa (Dominique), Janet (Lloyd) and 7 Grandchildren

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MATTHEWS, Betty - In loving memory of a dear wife who passed away April 3, 2006.

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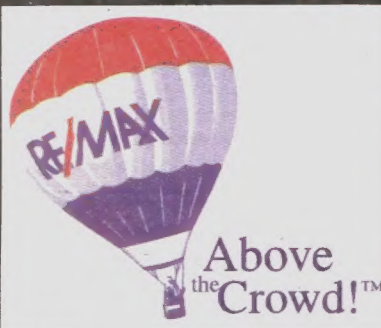
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\$109,900
LAKEVIEW HOME OR GETAWAY!

Across from McCue Lake, this 2 bdrm home has several recent upgrades and is a great opportunity for home ownership! 75 acres in Terry Hill close to the park, trails and shed use of a dock for great fishing! A portable double grill w/foundation, heat & hydro plus 2 storage sheds add to this great lot. This home must be seen and is only a 20 mins Hwy. drive from Haliburton. Call Terry Carr.

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\$209,000

Gull River: A short distance up from Gull Lake. A delightful 3 bdrm. cottage, 4 pc. bath, w/o master, Canac kitchen, FP, airtight, main floor laundry, new roof, freshly painted, level lot, hard sand w/shallow entry, completely winterized & 2 km to Minden. Call Fred Chapple

Fred Chapple • Ext 43 • 286-2911



\$119,000
HALIBURTON

Estimate-sized lot in a wooded setting, in the village of Haliburton. This generous 5.5 acre property offers spectacular hilltop views of both Grass & Head Lakes. Conveniently located close to Sir Sanford Fleming College & shopping areas, it features an extremely private building site, newly drilled well & excellent driveway. Call Deb & Andrea to view.

Andrea Wilson & Deb Deremo • Ext 239 • 457-1011



\$249,900
DRAG RIVER - GELERT

This home boasts over 800' on the river w/good swimming & total privacy from neighbours. The home features open concept LR/DR/KT w/cathedral lug & grove pine ceiling & a w/o to dock overlooking the river - very scenic setting! Other features include c/o, 3 good size bedrooms, full unfinished basement w/w/o & more. Call Vince Duchene

Vince Duchene • Ext 225 • 457-1011



\$289,900
YEAR ROUND HOME OR 4 SEASON COTTAGE

This recently built escape offers 360' of shoreline on Grace River and over 2.5 acres with stream and pond. Enjoy the comfort of pine cathedral ceilings, hardwood flooring, open concept kitchen/dining area and more. It's only 400' from Grace Lake and is easy access to Wilberforce. Call Rick & Iona

Rick Forget & Iona Favreau • 448-2222



\$159,900

Located on a year round township road, this 3 bdrm bungalow sits on 5 acres of land, and boasts a screened-in sunroom and great privacy! Call Lenor Fulton

Lenor Fulton • Ext 23 • 286-2911



\$444,900
SOYERS LAKE

Quality home or cottage with level waterfront, nestled amongst mature trees. This property boasts deep water off the dock, double detached garage, charming walkways & a granite patio. Expansive windows bring the light & warmth indoors, while the cathedral ceilings & maple hardwood bring add classic charm. Call Marilyn

Marilyn Hawley • Ext 237 • 457-1011



\$338,000
COUNTRY ESTATE

Modern & spacious 2,400 sq. ft. Royal Home built in 2002, on a picturesque 13 acre lot near Maple Lake. Featuring: 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, sep DR, full bath, large porch, air d 2 car garage, 2 horse paddocks & more. Perfect home for a large family, 8 and 8, hobby farm or studio. A must see! Call Bill Kulak

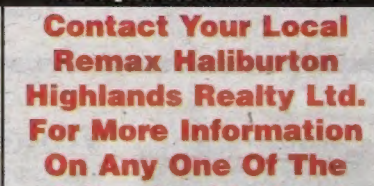
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\$564,900
HALIBURTON LAKE

2+1 bdrm cottage/home with fully finished basement, single garage & shed on fabulous natural lot, deep shoreline & million dollar view! Features include oak cabinets w/granite top, island & pantry, great rm w/pine vaulted ceilings, year round sun rm, 44x12 family rm w/walkout, 3 free standing propane fireplaces, too many features to mention! For pics and more info, go to www.mls.ca MLS#463243000077800. Call Debra Lambe

Debra Lambe • Ext 244 • 457-1011



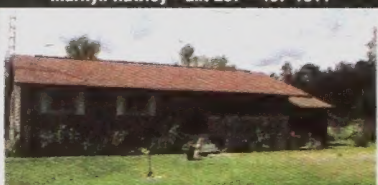
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\$379,700
LITTLE KENNISIS LAKE

Chalet style cottage w/multi-level configuration. Poured lower foundation level w/walkout. 106' rock frontage, south facing, 1,200 sq. ft. living space on 3 levels, 3 bedrooms & 2 baths. Well treed for good privacy. Call Cathy Lancia

Cathy Lancia • 754-3358



8+ ACRES

Bungalow on 8+ acres with 2 out-buildings. This 3 bedroom home offers large rooms, screened-in season room, full basement. Easy access off Highway 118 and private location. Call Lynda Litwin.

Lynda Litwin • Ext 35 • 286-2911



\$329,000
CLEAR LAKE

Very well kept 3 bdrm cottage on Clear Lake. This chalet style cottage is fully winterized except for the water line, the lot is fairly steep but offers excellent year round access, lovely deep clean water swimming & is totally private. Won't last long, so call today! Call Denise LeBlanc

Denise LeBlanc • Ext 33 • 286-2911



\$118,950
GREAT STARTER OR RETIREMENT!

Near Haliburton and Minden. Country lot with perennial flower beds, horseshoe pit and nice trees. 2 bdrm, lots of pine finishing, wood floor & cozy wood stove. Oil forced air furnace and electric system recently serviced. Next to snowmobile and quad trails, plus 1.5 garage and large workshop! Call Richard Moritz

Richard Moritz • 448-1291



\$234,500

Great country home, many upgrades - new in 2002: addition & septic tank, new in 2007: hardwood floor, kitchen, hot water tank, sump pump, finished basement. Wood and propane fireplaces, private lot, garage and guest bunkie, lots of decking. Deeded access to Maple Lake. Call Erin Nicholls

Erin Nicholls • Ext 238 • 457-1011



\$439,000
ESSON LAKE

FIRST IMPRESSIONS WILL COUNT HERE! This Valhalla 4 season cottage has all the "Wants". 3 bdrms, open concept interior, spectacular lake view, economical heating costs, extensive chattel list, walkout basement w/partially finished rec. rm, laundry & storage. Close proximity to snowmobile & ATV trails AND Crown land across lake. Call Karen Nimigon

Karen Nimigon • Ext 224 • 457-1011



\$184,900
A MUST SEE!!

Cozy turn of the century school house, modernized to keep the school style! 12' ceiling in living room with propane fireplace, pine trim throughout, large master bedroom in lot area, air d heated double car garage! Private large level lot with 3 bay pole barn for storage, granite stone patio, covered porch and top school bell! Call Marj & John

Marj Hunter & John Parish • Ext 226 • 457-1011



\$798,500
REDSTONE LAKE - DRIFTWOOD BAY

A unique property offering superior privacy on 8.65 acres in a natural Algonquin-type setting, with 536' of pristine clear granite shoreline. This 3 bdrm contemporary chalet has vaulted ceilings, pine plank flooring, a lakeside wall of glass, huge decking, plus a bunkie. Close to ski hill. Call Elizabeth Thompson

Elizabeth Thompson • Ext 248 • 457-1011



\$187,500
CLOSE TO HALIBURTON

Experience the privacy from this rural retreat property - w/out raised bungalow with 1,990 sq. ft. of living space. Custom pine kitchen & island, hardwood floors, w/out living area and master bedroom to the deck. Upper & lower levels newly painted. 2+1 bdrms, w/out family rm w/FP. 10 acres. Call Ted Vasey

Ted Vasey • Ext 223 • 457-1011



\$324,999
KUSHOG LAKE

Enjoy year round cottaging on this large 2 lake chain at this 3 bdrm/2 bath home, sitting on 300+ feet of sandy/rock waterfront. Relax by the propane fireplace on cool spring evenings. Call now for an appointment. Call Melanie Vigrass

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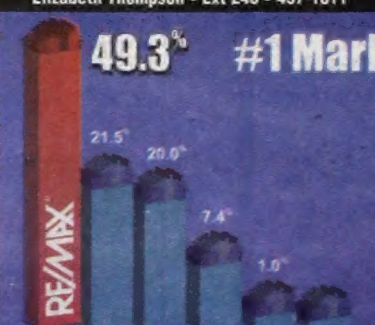
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